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Dear Sir:

In an Office Action mailed September 8, 2004, time for response to which was set to expire October 8, 2004, Examiner Kathleen M. Kerr considered the previous amendment filed on May 28, 2004 to be non-compliant due to incorrect use of status identifiers on some claims.

Applicants herein submit a corrected section of the non-compliant amendment, e.g., the entire "Amendments to the Claims" section, according to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(h). Accordingly, this submission is timely filed.